

# MICROTURBINE Case Study





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Power when and where you need it.

Clean and simple.



# Applications: Micro-Cogeneration (CHP)



Boiler, Kitchen Laundry, etc. Holiday Inn Fargo, ND



Brick Factory Brick Drying Starland, Holland



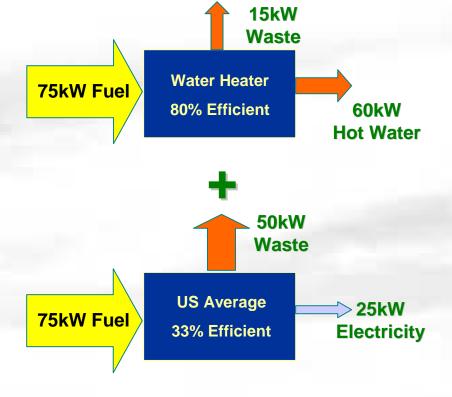
Kobe, Japan Mitsubishi CHP with 10-ton Yazaki chillier



**Boiler Water Preheating Durham County Hall, UK** 

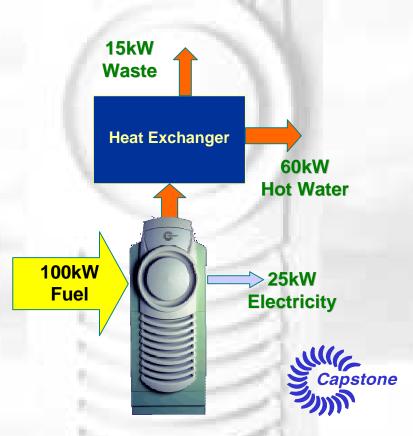
# Case Study: The Benefit of MicroCHP

# Traditional 57% Total Efficiency 0.1 lb/hr NOx 60 lb/hr CO₂



### **MicroCHP**

- 85% Total Efficiency
- 0.01 lb/hr NOx
- 45 lb/hr CO<sub>2</sub>



# Micro-CHP Payback Example

### Example CHP Systems with the following Characteristics:

60kW Rated Output \$1,100 per kW System Cost 50kW Avg. Electrical Output 100kW Thermal Load 5,000 hr per year Operation Electric Utility Rates:

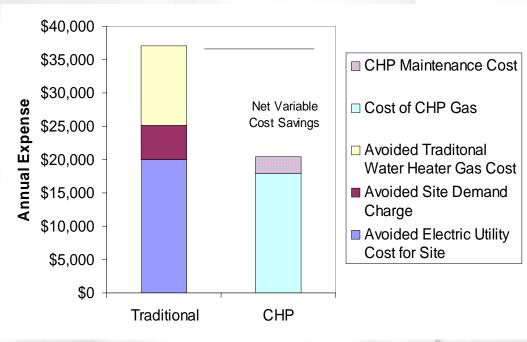
\$.08 per kWh

\$15 Demand

**Gas Utility Rates:** 

\$5 per MM BTU

\$.01 per kWh Maintenance Cost



3 Year Simple Payback !!



# A Real-World Industrial CHP Example





Combined Heat and Power (CHP) for Primary Power and HVAC in Manufacturing



# Harbec Plastics Project: Summary

#### Reasons to seek CHP alternative

- High energy costs
  - #1 reason for businesses leaving New York State
  - Competing in world market means constant pursuit of cost effectiveness and competitive pricing.
- Need to improve electrical power reliability.
- Need to improve environmental control of manufacturing facility.
  - Consistent product quality year round.
- Desire to incorporate renewable energy potentials.

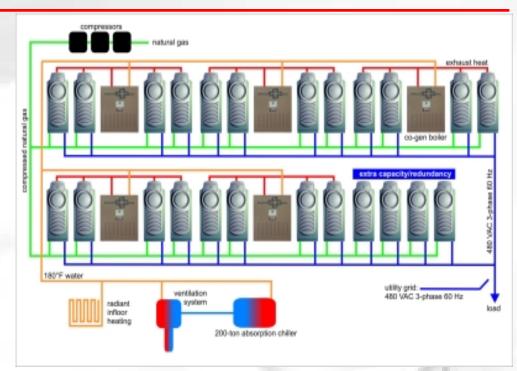
#### **Actual deliverables**

- Microturbines Selected as Engine Solution
  - Increased reliability
  - Decreased maintenance requirements
  - No increase in staff
  - More positive environmental impact - ISO 14001
    - √ Lower Emissions
    - √ No lubricants, filters, or coolants to deal with
- Implementation Requirements
  - Developed banking solution
  - Combined CHP plant with needed warehouse expansion



# Harbec Plastics Project: CHP, Power Quality and Reliability

- Applying proven technology
  - Scalable with some level of redundancy
  - Efficient and economically feasible
  - Environmentally friendly



24-unit 700kW stand-alone MultiPac system with heat recovery



# Harbec Plastics Project: Uses for Waste Heat

#### Office HVAC in Summer



200 Ton Absorption Chiller Converts 210° Hot Water to 44°-47° Chilled Water

#### Warehouse Heating in Winter



Radiant Floor Heating 17,000' of 1" Diameter tubing



## The Harbec CHP Project

### Results

"Since July 9, 2001 microturbines have generated 100% of Harbec power requirements and have provided air conditioning and heat for an injection molding facility, while grid was maintained for back-up"

#### **Economic**

- Overall system efficiency > 70%
- Power from Utility = \$ .105 / kWh
- Cost to Microturbine generate including maintenance= \$ .07-.08 /kWh
- Thermal value added = \$ .05-.06 /kWh
- Based on \$3.80 / decatherm 2 year contract with TXU

### **Environmental**

- Less consumption of fossil fuels by increasing efficiency
- CO<sub>2</sub> emissions <u>reduced</u> by >90%
- Significant reduction of SO<sub>X</sub> and NO<sub>X</sub> emissions
- No additional energy consumed to produce HVAC for plant.



# Federal Facilities Using Capstone MicroTurbines

- ORNL, NREL, Sandia, UCI (DOE contract)
- Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado, CA
  - 2 C60 MicroTurbines with CHP
- Presidio Trust, San Francisco, CA
  - 2 C30 with CHP boiler water pre-heating
  - PG&E low gas pressure
- TVA Public Power Institute, Muscle Shoals, AL
  - 1 C30 and 1 C60
- Fort Drum, NY
  - 1 C30 with CHP, hot water for barracks



# Applications: Federal and Local Government



**South California Prison** 



Denver, CO Police Department



City Hall in California Powered by wellhead gas



Presidio Trust Former Military Base Now Public Park California



### JUSTIFYING DER PROJECT

- 'Plain' economics
  - Cost of generated power
  - Reduced demand charges, etc.
- Take credit for
  - Avoided capital expense
  - Alternative generation means
- Assign dollar value to:
  - 'Political' benefits
  - Environmental concerns
  - Cost of potential down time, lost production
  - Security concerns
  - Impact on the community

Always look for combined benefits from multiple value streams

No single need will justify buying MicroTurbine